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3W, VIETNAM (XU Also). Members of the Tallinn Youth Radio Club (TYRC) ES1AKM and ES1AX will be active from **Saigon** starting **December 4th**, lasting **until January 4, 2000**. Callsign possibly may be **3W6KM**, but it is not final yet. Activity will be all bands and all modes. QSL via ES1AX CBA. Jack, ES1AKM, told OPDX that after their 3W operation they will be active during 2 weeks from Cambodia (XU). Callsign is not sure yet, but possibly XU7AKM.

4U1VIC, VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE. Remember this station will be participating in the **CQ WW SSB contest** in Multi-Single category. QSL via OE Bureau or CBA.

5W, SAMOA. Steve, G4EDG, CW operator of "Double Trouble" team, has left Tokelau, and is now in Samoa. He has obtained a license with the callsign **5W0ST**. Steve does not have a radio with him, but fortunately he has his CW keyer. He will try to visit Atsuo, 5W1SA, and operate from his QTH. Steve is a CW only operator, and he is very interested in low band operation. He will stay in Samoa probably **for one month**. QSL via G4EDG.

5X, UGANDA (Last good chance to work Peter!). Peter, ON6TT/**5X1T**, will be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as Single Op/Single Band (10 meters). However, Peter also mentions that he has been in 5X for almost 4 years, and his time in Uganda comes to an end. During this stay, Peter has made roughly 150,000 QSOs as 5X1T on SSB/CW/SSTV/PACTOR/RTTY from 160-6 meters. He will leave 5X on November 5th, and will go back to Kosovo. From then on, Peter will only be back in 5X twice for one week until the end of January (once middle December, and once middle January). He will keep his station and the setup there until the middle of January, though activity after this coming CQWW SSB weekend will be very limited. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive Peter's complete press release as an additional bulletin.

8S, SWEDEN. Look for John, SM7CRW, to use the callsign **8S7A** during the **contests in October and November**. He is on IOTA **EU-037**. QSL via W3HNC.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Just a reminder! Phil, G3SWH, will be active as **9M6PWT** from **Sabah** between **November 3-15th**. He will be on a holiday, so times of activity will be on an "as and when" basis, but he will probably follow his established pattern of early mornings and late afternoons, local time. Operations will be on all bands 40 to 10 meters, CW only. He will be staying in three different hotels, and he has already received permission to put up his antennas. QSLs will be via his home address of: Phil Whitchurch, 21 Dickensons Grove, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5HQ, United Kingdom (with SASE and return postage, or via the RSGB bureau).

BY, CHINA. BY1PK, the headquarters station of Chinese Radio Sports Association will participate in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Multi-Single entry. Operators will include Yan/BA1AB, Wang/BA1OK and some students. QSL via BY1PK.

CX, URUGUAY. Jorge, CX6VM, will be operating as **CX5X** in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single OP/Single Band (15 meters). QSL Manager is W3HNL.

E4, PALESTINE. Pekka, OH1RY, is reportedly headed back to be active as **E44DX** or **E44/OH1RY** from **Gaza**, now **through November 1st**. His goal will be to break the Asian record on 80 meters in the **CQWW SSB DX Contest**. QSL via OH1RY.

EA8BH CQWW SSB OPERATOR CHANGE. Due to some unforeseen factors, Martti, OH2BH, cannot run his **EA8BH** site, but he has invited a "skilled guest operator" to make a serious effort in the 1999 CQWW SSB contest. Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, 35, will pilot an SOAB effort using the latest contesting technology, including FT-1000MP dual-radio operating. Jeff is remembered for his WRTC-96 victory in San Francisco. Please listen for Jeff--give him a call and earn a special Yaesu certificate and a folded QSL card for your four-band QSO with EA8BH. The team behind Jeff is: EA8ZS, N5NJ, OH1RY, OH2BE, OH2BH, OH2MM and OH3QK. The station will be on all six bands in the single operator category. Contest participants are invited to please take a moment to record the relative signal strength of EA8BH compared to other Zone 33 stations. After the contest, E-mail your reports to Martti at: oh2bh@n4gn.com Stations reporting and/or confirming QSO with EA8BH on at least four bands will receive a direct QSL and a special award. Reports and QSL requests may also be sent via regular mail to OH2BH: Martti J. Laine, Nuottaniementie 3D20, 02230 Espoo, Finland

GU, GUERNSEY. Eddie, G0AZT, informs OPDX that he will be operating as **GU0AZT** along with Phil, GU0SUP, and possibly other members of the GARS, in a Multi-Single effort for **WAE RTTY Contest** (0000z **November 13th** until 2400z **November 14th**). Direct QSL requests go to: P.O. Box 5194, Richmond, CA 94805 USA with SAE/SASE (W6/G0AZT). Via the Bureau to GU0SUP, CBA (1998 onwards).

IOTA NEWS.....

- **EU-039.** Look for **TM2F** to be active from **Chausey Island** (also MA004, CF50002) from **October 30th through November 6th**. Activity will be on 160/80/40/20/17/15/12/10/6/2 meters.
- **NA-120.** After several years of trying, permission has been granted to operate from the Louisiana Fish & Wildlife camp on **Marsh Island, November 19-21st**. This is the most wanted IOTA group on the East Coast of the U.S. It is a wildlife refuge and access is restricted. Five operators, Max/K5PP, Randy/WX5L, Mike/W5ZPA, Mike/AD5A, and

Buzz/N5UR will be making the trip with a goal of 3000 plus QSOs in their long weekend of operation. All five are experienced dxpeditioners. They have a hexbeam for 20-10 meters including the WARC bands, a Butternut for 80-30 meters, and they will take various wire antennae for backup. They will concentrate on areas outside North America (when the bands are open). They will operate 2 stations on 80-10m including the WARC bands on CW/RTTY/SSB. A generator on the island will provide 110 vac. They will be using a YAESU FT100 and an FT1000MP. The callsign will be **K5PP/p**. QSL via Max E. Maxwell, 1036 Webster St, New Orleans, LA 70118 USA. All bureau cards will be answered when received. This is a joint operation of the Delta DX Association and the Texas DX Society.

- **OC-032**. Franck, **FK8HC**, will be active **October 30-31st**, from **Ile Verte** (New DIFO FK077). Activity will be on 40-10 meters including the WARC bands. Because there is a CONTEST going on, Franck will be working a lot on the WARC Bands, 18/24 MHz with the possibility to QSY on other bands if there is no QRM on 40/20/15/10 meters. Frequencies on the WARC bands are 18150 and 24950 +/- QRM (Only on SSB). QSL is only via VK4FW: P.O.Box 929, Gimpie 4570 QLD, AUSTRALIA

LU, ARGENTINA. **LU4FM** will be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Multi/Multi entry from his antenna farm.

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS (Update). Ville, OH2MM, will sign **OH0MM** as a Single Op/All Band entry during the **CQWW SSB contest**. QSL OH0MM via OH2MM: Ville Hiilesmaa, Rakuunantie 18 A 14, 00330 Helsinki, Finland

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Look for OH2MAM to be active as **OH0Z** during the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single Op/All Bands. QSL via OH1EH, Ari Korhonen, Kreetalank. 9, FIN29200 Harjavalta, Finland.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Paul Hutley, KF4OOX (aka **ZD8V**), reports to OPDX that he has started on the stack of QSL cards he needs to reply to (the stack is 3 ft. tall). Paul just recently got things set up in a room at his parents' house and with access to the InterNet. He hopes to get many QSL cards out in the next few weeks.

R1, MALYI VYSOTSKIY ISLAND. Look for **R1MVZ** to be active as a Multi/Multi entry in the **CQWW SSB Contest**. Activity outside the contest will be mainly on 160, 80 and 40 meters CW. QSL via K6VNX.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for station **VC1A** to be active from **Nova Scotia**, Canada between **October 29th and November 29, 1999**. The "Tesla Radio Club" members will operate this station in commemoration of **50 years of NATO**. During the **CQWW SSB Contest**, Yuri Blanarovich, VE1BY, VE3BMV and K3BU will operate VC1A as a single band 80m category. Special QSL cards will be issued; color cards will be used for direct requests, B/W for cards via bureau. QSL manager is K3BU, Box 282, Pine Brook, NJ 07058 USA

SV, GREECE. "The 59(9) DXReport" reports that members of the **SV1AFA** contest team will be a Multi-Single entry in the **CQ WW SSB Contest**. QSL to: P.O. Box 84, Agrinio, GR-30100, GREECE. Updated from last week's bulletin, look for **SV1DKR** in the Multi/Multi

category in the **CQWW SSB Contest** to be operated by SV1DKR, SV1/OK1YM and SV1DNW on all bands. QSL info is via QSL bureau via SV1DKR. Also in the **CQWW SSB Contest**, look for Stathis/**SV1DKL** to run in the contest as an All Band Category Low Power. QSL info via QSL bureau via SV1DKL.

T31, KANTON ISLAND. "Good News" reported by Lech, LA7MFA, states, "Last Sunday, Kanton Island was QRV once again. After using the **T31K** callsign with LA7MFA/MM for a few times, Ueata (resident on the island) has received his own license with the callsign **T31UA**. He is running FT-747 with 100W into 20m vertical or longwire..... Please be patient with him, and take good care of him if you hear him. I hope his interest in amateur radio will not get spoiled by some DX maniacs, who just want another "59" QSO. I guess he is not able to run big pileups yet! He is very new to Amateur Radio, although he is a professional radio operator, and he even knows CW and the Q-code..... We will try to send him ARRL Handbook, and maybe even a CW keyer for Xmas. The supply boat reaches Kanton only 3-4 times a year, so I guess it is better to send your QSL card via LA7MFA. I will try to get his logs somehow, and print a nice color QSL cards together with my own for KH8/KK6HC operation..... I have told Ueata... about the upcoming **CQWW DX Contest** on SSB. He should be able to make some QSOs, and he knows his zone number. He will probably only call other stations, and please be patient with him if you receive his call!"

TA, TURKEY. Look for **TA3J** to be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single Op/Single Band Low Power (3.8 MHz) QSL via Bureau or direct to TA3J: Berkin AYDOGMUS, P.O. Box 987, 35214 Izmir - TURKEY (E-mail: ta3j@yahoo.com) Also, look for **TA3YJ** in the contest as a Single Op/Single Band Low Power (28 MHz). QSL via bureau or direct to TA3YJ: Nilay Mine AYDOGMUS, P.O. Box 876, 35214 Izmir - TURKEY (E-mail: ta3yj@yahoo.com)

V3, BELIZE. By the time you read this Joe, K8JP, and his XYL Beverly should be in **Dangriga** (they were scheduled to arrive October 30th) where he will operate as **V31JP**. Joe told OPDX that he will be here **until the 1st of April 2000**. They are driving to Belize so travel time may vary due to the flooding and mud slides in southeast Mexico. Joe states that he expects to operate in most major contests with varying levels of activity. Outside of contests he will be active on 160 through 6 meters, mostly CW, but with some phone and RTTY. QSL via KA9WON, Lonnie Miller, 12031 Blue Spruce Drive, Roscoe, IL 61073, USA. Any QSLs sent via his home callsign or the bureau will not be touched until they return in the spring of 2000. Check out Joe's WEB site for updates at: <http://sites.netscape.net/v31jp/>

V4, ST. KITTS. Look for Conny, DL1DA, to sign **V47DA** from **November 2-13th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, mainly CW, some SSB and PSK31. QSL via DL1DA.

V4 & VP2M, ST. KITTS AND ANTIGUA. Gerd/DL7VOG and Ben/DL7BY will go with their families on a trip to St. Kitts, **November 4-18th**, and will operate as **V47GU** and **V47BY** on all HF bands, mainly CW and RTTY. The equipment will be a IC-704 with HF-6V-vertical-antenna and a FT890 with DX88-vertical- antenna. Other wire antennas will be built up if needed. Their location will be near Basseterre at Frigate Bay. Gerd will take part in the **WAE RTTY Contest (November 6-7th)**. Skeds are welcome. Just send E-mail to: DL7VOG@snaflu.de -or- DL7BY@qsl.net (up until November 3rd) Gerd will continue his trip with a stay at VP2M-land, **November 18-29th**. His expected callsign is reportedly **VP2MGU**. The QSL route is via their home callsigns.

VK0M, MACQUARIE ISLAND. The "DX News Letter" reports that Alan, VK0LD, is currently on contract with the Australian Antarctic Research Division and will be active **until January 2001** from **Macquarie (AN-005)** and possibly other Australian Territory locations. There is a possibility for a special callsign (VM0xx) during **December 1999/January 2000**. This is NOT a DXpedition, but Alan has many years of experience for DXing from different locations and is used to working pile-ups. There is no QSL manager at present. A Web site is under construction at: <http://www.geocities.com/vk0ld/>

WP2Z CONTEST STATION (Change of the Guard). Dennis Motschenbacher, **K7BV**, announced that **as of October 24th he is assuming trusteeship of Woodwind**, WP2Z, the magnificent station sitting high on the tallest peak overlooking the island of St. Croix. Steve, KU9C, will continue serving as the QSL Manager for the station. Larry, KE2VB, and Dennis will be doing the complete hand over in the next few weeks. Larry has done all the Contesters/DXers a major favor in getting this Caribbean rental station up and running (a job Dennis promises to fulfill with the same commitment and devotion). Millions of points have been scored from this station by contesters from all corners of the earth in recent years and millions more will come in the years to come. The station website will be updated shortly describing the changes. Dennis will make a few other exciting additions which will make the station even more competitive and user friendly...if that is possible. The Web site is: <http://www.qth.com/windwood/> In the mean time, please feel free to contact Dennis with any questions you might have regarding this fantastic contesters' dream QTH at: K7bv@aol.com

ZB2, GIBRALTAR (Update from OPDX.431). Dave, **ZB2/W8DO**, reports to OPDX that he will be active from ZB2 for approximately **two more weeks**. The best time for contacts is about 2:00 on EST on the FISTS frequency of 14058 and 21058 kHz. He has made over 1,200 contacts (he states, "big pile ups for Gibraltar on CW"). He is working with a Ten Tec Argosy and mobile whip ...aboard the sail yacht "Kiwi". In two weeks, he will depart for Gran Canary and then across the Atlantic to Antigua.

ZP, PARAGUAY. Look for **ZP6T** to be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest**. The operators will be Juan/ZP5MAL, Tom/ZP5AZL, Anibal/ZP5VAY, and Luis Alvarez. They will use monobanders for 40 through 10 meters and dipoles on 80 and 160 meters. The team will be a Multi/Multi entry with two stations running at the same time. QSL via ZP5MAL.

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